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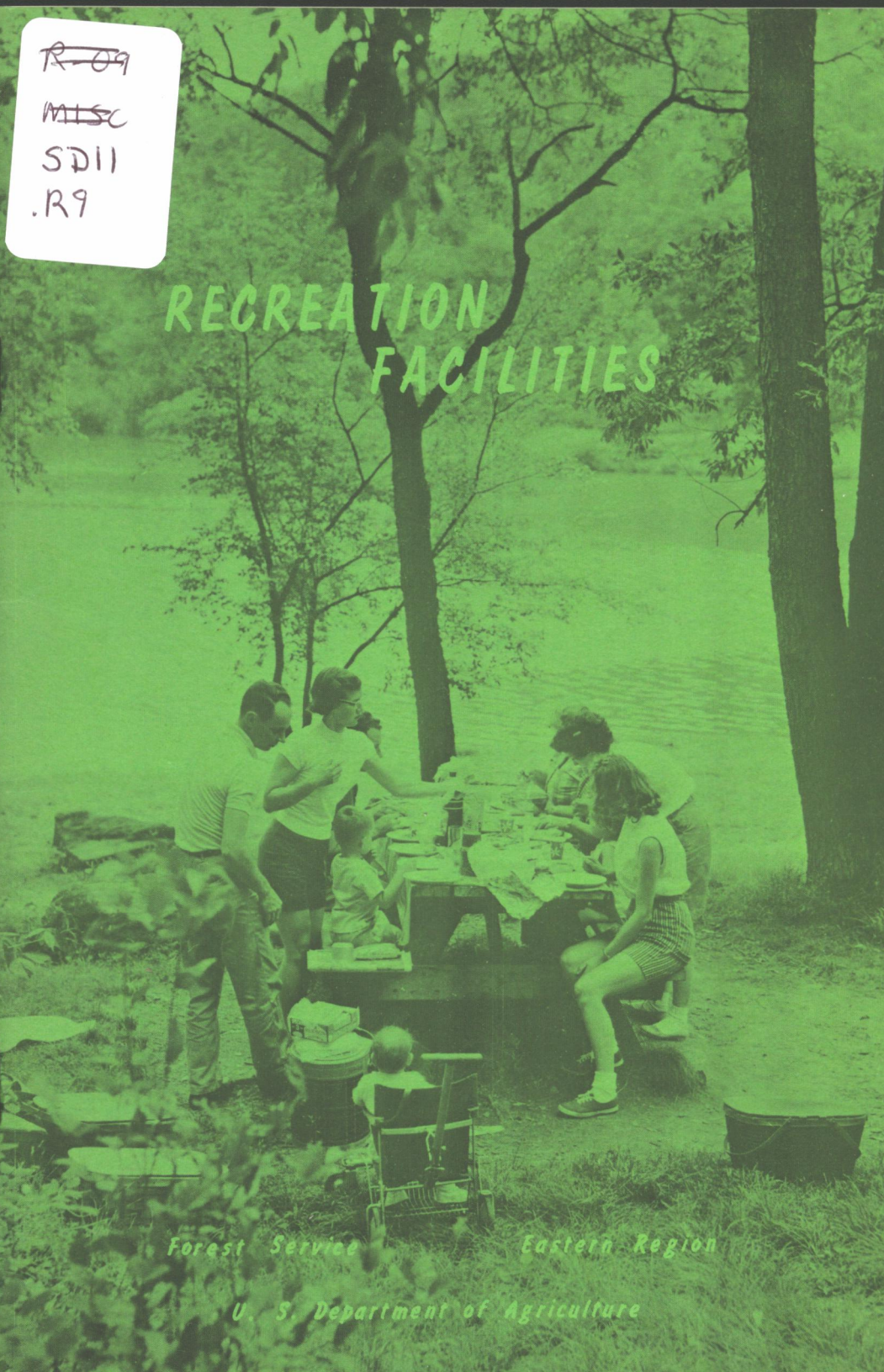

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National Forests-
America's Playgrounds

The National Forests of the United States provide many recreational facilities, such as picnic areas, camp sites, and beaches with provision for water sports. These have been developed by the Forest Service for the use and enjoyment of all the people. Recreation facilities which are available in the eastern National Forests are described in this booklet. They are located on the following National Forests:

Allegheny National Forest	-Pennsylvania
Cumberland National Forest	-Kentucky
George Washington National Forest	-Virginia
Green Mountain National Forest	-Vermont
Jefferson National Forest	-Virginia
Monongahela National Forest	-West Virginia
White Mountain National Forest	-New Hampshire-Maine

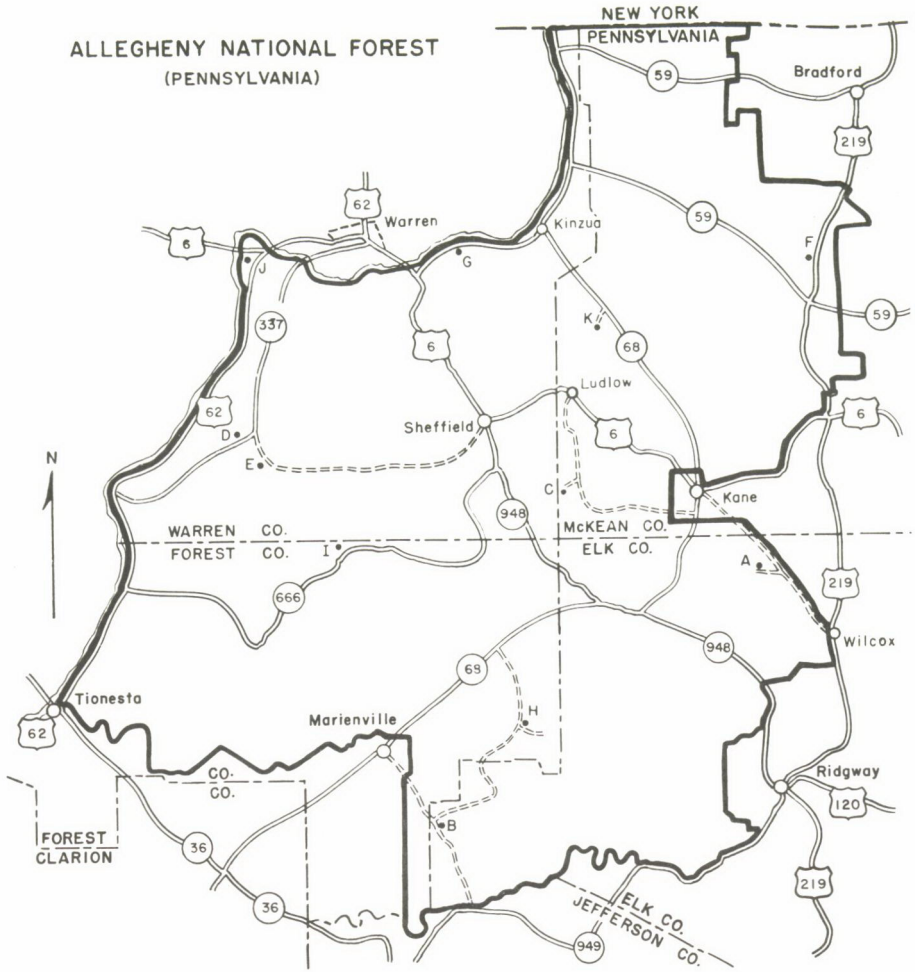
National Forest visitors are asked to be especially careful in the use of fire. Always leave a clean camp and a dead fire.

The utmost caution should be observed in using swimming facilites because it isn't always possible to provide lifeguards.

Fuelwood is usually provided in long lengths in central wood piles for the use of campers. Bring your own ax if you wish to use wood for campfires.

A small fee is charged for the use of some facilities, especially where concessionaires handle the details of local management and cleanup.

Hamilton K. Pyles
Regional Forester



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ALLEGHENY NATIONAL FOREST

The Allegheny National Forest was established September 24, 1923. It contains 736,577 acres within the Forest boundaries; 467,411 acres of which are owned or in the process of acquisition. Headquarters is located at Warren, Pennsylvania; John E. Franson, Forest Supervisor.

The Forest is located in northwestern Pennsylvania and is flanked or traversed by U. S. Route 6, U. S. Route 62, U. S. Route 219, State Route 59, and State Route 68.

TWIN LAKES RECREATION AREA

Twin Lakes Recreation Area

Located in a section of Pennsylvania where swimming water is rare, a 7-acre lake has been constructed with a sandy beach. Parking accomodations are provided for about 275 cars. Extensive picnicking facilities and accomodations for approximately 42 camping parties are provided. One of the features of the area is a large administration building that includes a pavilion and bathhouses. There are two picnic shelters for use during inclement weather. Twin Lakes is reached by turning west off U. S. Route 219, at Wilcox, 10 miles southeast of Kane. The area is operated by a concessionaire, and there is a nominal charge for visitors over 6 years of age.

Loleta Recreation Area

A swimming pool with sandy beaches has been created by a stone dam across a stream. Bathhouse facilities, picnic shelters, a playfield, drinking water at convenient locations, a parking space, outdoor fireplaces, and camp sites have been provided. Loleta, now a ghost town, was once the site of a large sawmill and a town of several hundred people. It is located about 5 miles south of Marienville, off State Route 68, on Forest Service Road 21. This area is also operated by a concessionaire, and a small charge is made.

Tionesta Scenic Area

Located about 7 miles south of Ludlow, off U. S. Route 6, on Forest Service Road 133. The area offers an opportunity for the nature lover and scientist to study 2,018 acres of virgin timber. Several paths wind through the trees. Literature calling attention to some of the features of this virgin tract is available at the Supervisor's or District Ranger's offices. Campfires are not permitted in this area.

Sandstone Springs Picnic Ground

Located in a grove of large white pine trees, the restful quiet of this shady grove makes it a welcome haven. It is located about 10 miles southwest of Warren on State Route 337.

Hearts Content Camp and Picnic Grounds

As a reminder that Pennsylvania was once covered with majestic forests, the Forest Service has set aside this small area of virgin white pine and hemlock. On the fringe of this forest, facilities for picnicking and camping are provided. The visitor may see a memorial plantation sponsored by the Pennsylvania Federated Women's Clubs, and may climb a nearby fire tower to obtain sweeping views of the surrounding terrain. Hearts Content is located 4 miles south of Sandstone Springs, off State Route 337.

Kennedy Springs Picnic Ground

This woodland area is located 7 miles south of Bradford on U. S. Route 219. Rustic picnic tables are scattered through the woods, and fireplaces and a large picnic shelter have been added.

Allegheny Camp and Picnic Grounds

This roadside picnic spot above the Allegheny River has facilities for approximately 15 groups. There is a limited amount of camping space. Two wells, a picnic shelter, and an adequate parking space have

been provided. This area is located on State Route 59, 5 miles east of Warren.

Kelly Pines Picnic Ground

This small picnic and camping area is set amid majestic white pines and a clear-flowing spring. It is located 5 miles east of Marienville, off State Route 68, via Forest Service Roads 130 and 131.

Minister Creek Campground

The area consists of five units beside a trout stream. It is popular with fishermen and hunters who wish to camp near their sport. It is located on State Route 666, 14 miles southwest of Sheffield.

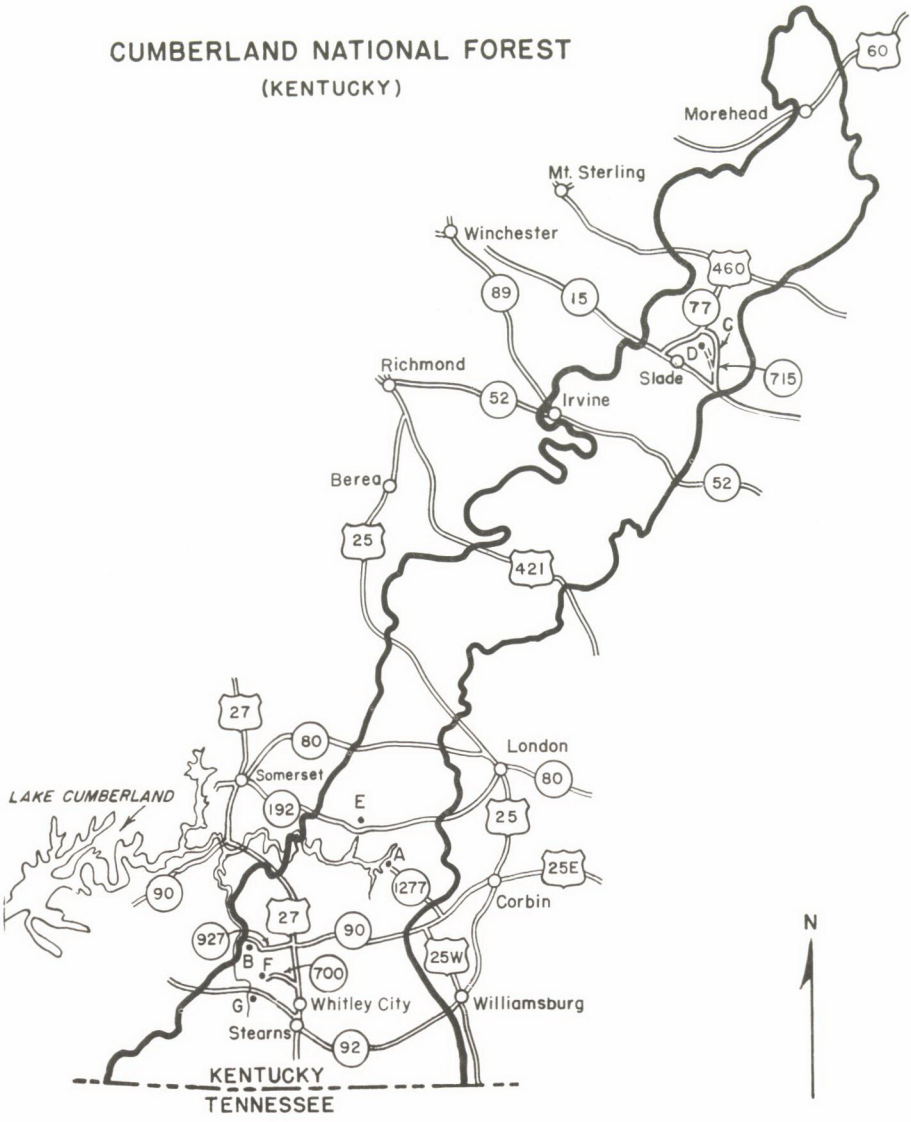
Buckaloons Recreation Area

This historic area at the junction of the Allegheny River and Brokenstraw Creek was a famous Seneca Indian campsite — Buckaloons being the Seneca name for camping. There is a boat-launching ramp, camping and picnicking units along the bank of the Allegheny River, parking areas, and other facilities. It is about 4 miles west of Warren on U. S. Route 6. Recreation research is conducted here by the Northeastern Forest Experiment Station.

Camp Cornplanter

This is one of the first camps for organized groups provided by the Forest Service. The facilities make it possible for 96 children to have vacations in a forest setting. The area is located 5 miles southeast of Kinzua on State Route 68.

One of the most attractive features of this National Forest is the large amount of game that is seen everywhere. In driving over the innumerable scenic roads, the motorist is almost sure to get glimpses of deer, turkeys, rabbits, grouse, and other kinds of wildlife.



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CUMBERLAND NATIONAL FOREST

The Cumberland National Forest was established February 23, 1937. It contains 1,357,075 acres within the Forest boundaries; 459,063 acres of which are owned or in the process of acquisition. Headquarters is located at Winchester, Kentucky; Robert F. Collins, Forest Supervisor.

The Forest is located in eastern Kentucky and is flanked or traversed by U. S. Route 25, U. S. Route 27, U. S. Route 60, U. S. Route 460, and State Route 15.

SKY BRIDGE, A NATURAL STONE BRIDGE ON THE CUMBERLAND NATIONAL FOREST

Mouth-of-Laurel Recreation Area

Fishing, boating, and picnicking are available on Lake Cumberland, which is formed by water backed up by Wolf Creek Dam. Boats, motors, and bait can be obtained from a fishing-dock operator. The area is located 11 miles south and west of Corbin, Kentucky, off U. S. Route 25-W on State Route 1277, a paved road. Picnic tables, grills, and sanitary facilities are available, and tent camping is permitted. The area is near the head of Lake Cumberland. Fishing usually is best early in the Spring.

Natural Arch Picnic Ground

Located in McCreary County, about 14 miles north of Stearns off U. S. Route 27, is a magnificant rock arch formed by wind and water erosion. This natural bridge is in a distinctive canyon setting. The visitor sees not only the arch itself, but the spectacular rim-rock country characteristic of the area. A parking space for 40 cars, 15 picnic sites, a fine well, and an interesting trail have recently been constructed. For those who do not wish to walk the ½ mile to the arch, an observation point on the rim of the canyon has been provided. The Memorial Plantation of the Federated Women's Clubs of Kentucky, planted in 1941, is nearby.

Red River Drive

This itinerary covers some of the most scenic areas in the Red River section of the Cumberland National Forest. Begin at Slade (State Route 15) after a visit to Natural Bridge State Park. Continue on State Route 15 and turn left at Pine Ridge on State Route 715. The upper road continues to Sky Bridge. On the return, after a short distance turn left down the gorge to Red River. Follow the road westward up the river and continue on the road as it recrosses the river through the old logging tunnel and out to Nada, which will return to State Route 15. Or, leave the river road before it recrosses, and take the road to Frenchburg and State Route 77. This trip—about 30 miles in all—is through rugged country of canyon-like beauty.

Sky Bridge Picnic Ground

This picnic area is located in the heart of the Red River Gorge area and features a unique stone bridge carved by erosion at the top of a sandstone cliff. The "bridge" is about 75 feet long with an opening about 18 feet high. From its top excellent views of the Red River Gorge are available. Massive sandstone cliffs, formed by erosion, may be seen on all sides. Fireplace grates, tables, water, and sanitary facilities are provided for those who wish to picnic. Sky Bridge may be reached from Slade, Kentucky, via State Routes 15 and 715.

Bee Rock Recreation Area

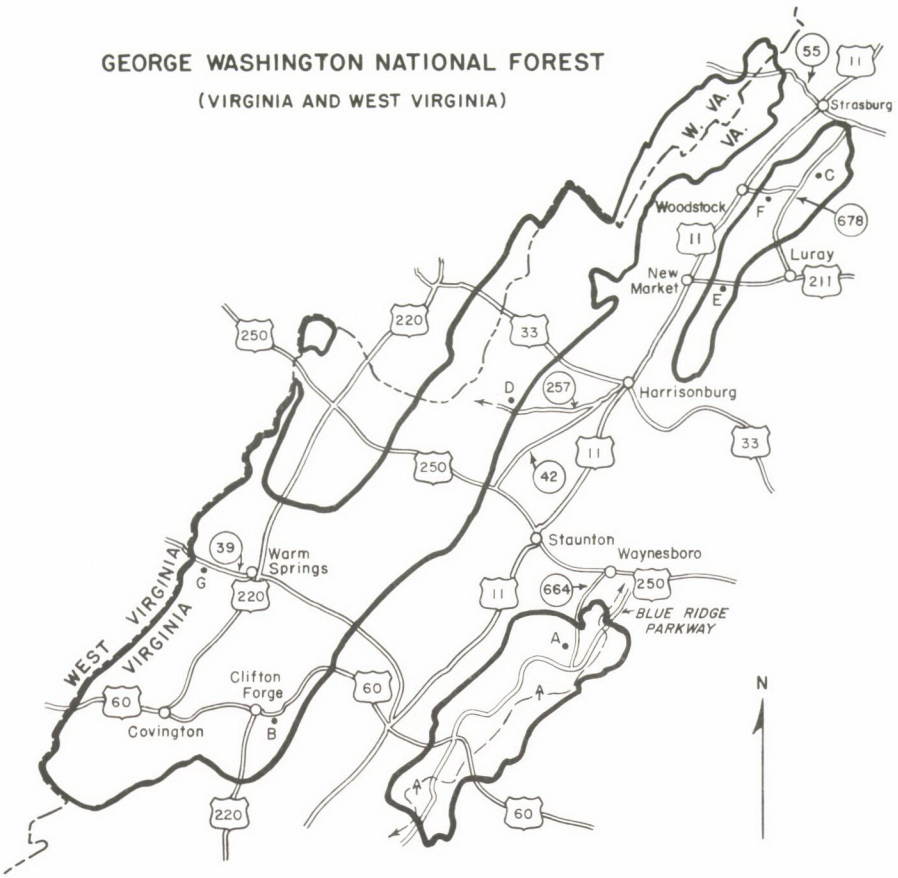
This area is located on the shores of Lake Cumberland about 20 miles west of London, Kentucky, on State Route 192. Camping and picnic sites are provided with fireplace grates, tables, and tent pads. Water and sanitary facilities are available on the area. For fishermen and boating enthusiasts a boat-launching ramp is provided. A trip along the lake is highlighted by scenic views of the sandstone cliffs which outline the lake. Lake Cumberland is famed for its excellent bass and wall-eye fishing.

Alum Ford Campground

This area is located about 7 miles northwest of Whitley City on State Route 700 on the shore of the Big South Fork of Lake Cumberland. Seven camp and picnic areas with fireplace grates, tables and tent pads have been provided. Water and sanitary facilities are available on the area. This portion of Lake Cumberland is famed for its spring "Walleye Run", and a boat-launching ramp is provided for fishing and boating enthusiasts.

Yamacraw Picnic Ground

This small area located on State Route 92 about 5 miles west of Stearns, Kentucky, provides picnicking facilities on the shores of Lake Cumberland. Yamacraw, on the upper reaches of Lake Cumberland, is a favorite section of the lake during the spring "Walleye Run".



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GEORGE WASHINGTON NATIONAL FOREST

The George Washington National Forest was established May 16, 1918. It contains 1,706,012 acres within the Forest boundaries; 1,004,000 acres of which are owned or in the process of acquisition. Headquarters is located at Harrisonburg, Virginia; A. H. Anderson, Forest Supervisor.

The Forest is situated in northwestern Virginia — the Shenandoah Valley area — and eastern West Virginia. It is flanked or traversed by U. S. Route 220, (the Skyline Drive), U. S. Route 50, U. S. Route 33, U. S. Route 250, and U. S. Route 60.

HUNTING SMALL GAME ON ABANDONED FARM LANDS

Sherando Lake Recreation Area

Sherando Lake is one of the outstanding recreational developments in the Eastern Region of the U. S. Forest Service. It is located just off State Route 664, 13 miles southwest of Waynesboro, Virginia. This magnificant mountain lake of about 26 acres was created by constructing an earthen dam. An extensive bathing beach, a parking area for 300 cars, one picnic shelter, a combination adminstration building and bathhouse, camping and picnicking areas, drinking water, and sanitation facilities are provided. A 9-acre lake at the upper end of the area has been developed for organization camping.

A large rock slide on one side of the lake and construction of an island adds to the rugged beauty of the lake. At the bathing beach, as at the other bathing areas, lifesaving precautions are in practice. A children's pool is provided as well as a line of demarcation between the non-swiming and the swimming areas. Sherando Lake has become one of the major travel objectives in the mountainous section of Virgina. The area is operated by a concessionaire and a small charge is made.

Green Pastures Recreation Area

Located on the south side of U. S. Route 60, 8 miles east of Clifton Forge, the Forest Service has provided a bathing and picnicking area. This area is provided with space for 80 automobiles to park. A 4-acre lake has been created and a sandy beach constructed. Bathhouse, sanitary facilities, drinking water, picnic tables, and a shelter are available. Facilities for camping are not yet provided.

Elizabeth Furnace Camp and Picnic Grounds

Extensive picnicking and camping facilities have been provided along Passage Creek. The area is interspersed with open fields and woodlands. One of the attractions of this area, in addition to the natural beauty of open meadows surrounded by trees, is the old ruin of Elizabeth Furnace. In early days the reduction of ore was one of the important industries in this section of Virginia. This area is on State Route 678, off State Route 55 at Waterlick, 6 miles from Front Royal and an equal distance from Strasburg.

Hone Quarry Camp and Picnic Grounds

This heavily wooded, narrow mountain valley provides a wonderful setting for that "away from it all" vacation. A short but vigorous climb from the bottom of the draw will reach Overlook Rock where one is able to view the entire valley. This area is located in a very rugged section of the State about 18 miles west of Harrisonburg on State Route 257. Ten camping spots, a picnic shelter, water, and sanitary facilities are provided.

Hone Quarry lies along the loop drive which includes Shenandoah Mountain Road which passes Reddish Knob Tower, an observation point at an elevation of 4,398 feet. Also close to this drive is North River Picnic Ground where facilities are provided near the Staunton Reservoir. On the top of the mountain, Shenandoah Picnic Ground is provided for those who wish to picnic in the cool highlands. Another outstanding observation point is High Knob Tower which can be reached by a 1 mile walk from U. S. Route 33, where it crosses the Virginia-West Virginia State line.

New Market Gap Picnic Ground

This is a popular roadside picnic area providing all of the customary facilities, including a shelter. This area is located on the east side of Massanutten Mountain between Luray and New Market on U. S. Route 211.

Little Fort Camp and Picnic Ground

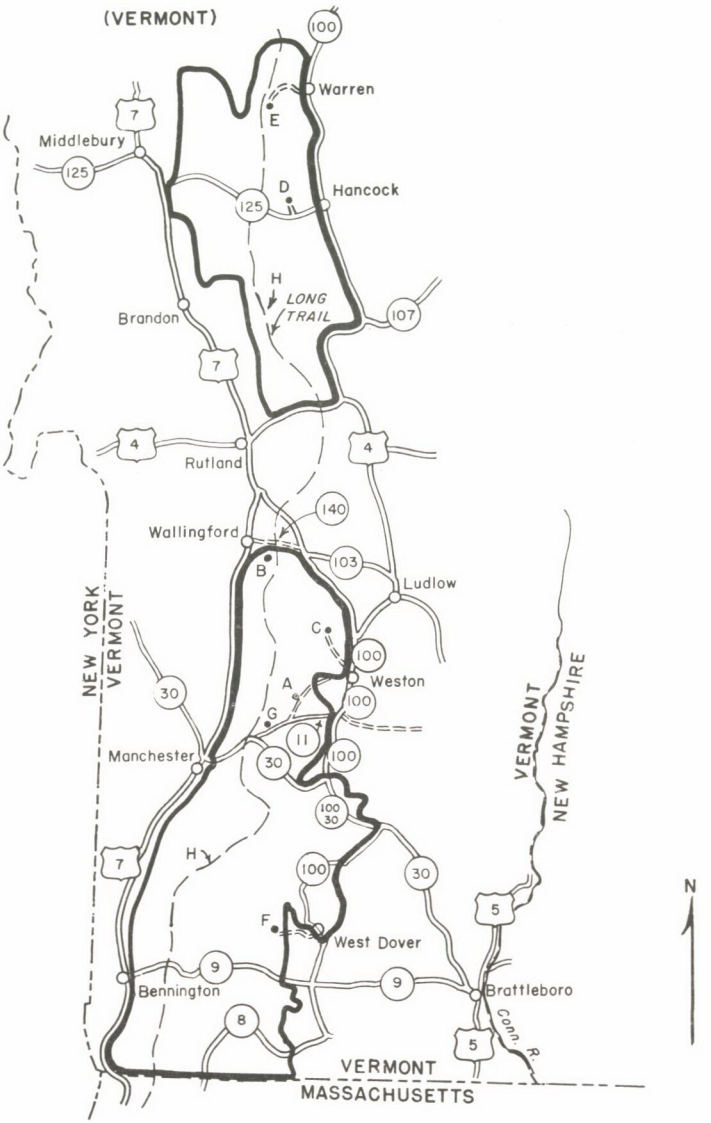
This small, charming meadow surrounded by trees offers all of the conveniences for picnicking and camping. There are seven camp sites. This area is close to Woodstock Tower which is on the Massanutten Range. The tower offers a view of the seven bends of the Shenandoah River. Little Fort lies approximately 7 miles east of Woodstock over curving mountain roads.

Blowing Springs Campground

Located 5 miles west of Warm Springs, Virginia, on State Route 39. This is a newly developed area in an attractive wooded setting, which provides 16 individual sites for tent camping and picnicking along Back Creek. Drinking water is piped into the area from a large natural spring.

The Appalachian Trail passes through the southern part of the forest.

GREEN MOUNTAIN NATIONAL FOREST



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GREEN MOUNTAIN NATIONAL FOREST

The Green Mountain National Forest was established April 25, 1932. It contains 629,004 acres within the Forest boundaries; 231,826 acres of which are owned or in the process of acquisition. Headquarters is located at Rutland, Vermont; Paul S. Newcomb, Forest Supervisor.

The Forest is situated in central Vermont, along the "backbone" of the Green Mountains. It is flanked or traversed by U. S. Route 4, U. S. Route 7, State Route 11, and State Route 100.

BIG BROMLEY SKI AREA

Hapgood Pond Recreation Area

A 7-acre impoundment with sandy bathing beach, diving facilities, bathhouse, picnic shelters, sanitary facilities, outdoor fireplaces, parking space, camp sites, and drinking water. It is situated in a margin of woodland overlooking rolling green meadows characteristic of the Green Mountain State. The area is about 2 miles north of the village of Peru on a gravel highway leading from State Route 11 to the village of Weston.

White Rocks Picnic Ground

This picnic area is located about 2 miles southeast of Wallingford on a short spur off State Route 140, in the shadow of rugged White Rocks Mountain. Two parking spaces, sanitary facilities, and drinking water are available. Picnic areas, shaded by tall evergreen trees, have been provided.

Greendale Campground

A quiet woodland camping area has been created beside a clear-running stream, about 3 miles north of Weston, off State Route 100. Outdoor fireplaces, sanitary facilities, and drinking water have been provided.

Texas Falls Picnic Ground

Several picnic sites have been provided among the trees along Texas Brook, about 3 miles west of Hancock off State Route 125. In addition, there is the attraction of Texas Falls, one of the most picturesque waterfalls in central Vermont. Rushing white water tumbles down, forming a series of beautiful pools.

Sugarbush Valley

Located 5 miles from Warren, Vermont, via State Route 100, and overshadowed by 4,000-foot Lincoln Peak, this scenic winter sports area, operated under special use permit, offers modern skiing facilities, most of which are on national forest land. There are numerous trails and shelters, as well as two double-chair lifts and the Nation's longest gondola lift. The outstanding mountain scenery can be enjoyed year-round, because the lifts are operated during the summer months also.

Mount Snow

A part of this famous ski resort is located on National Forest land under special use permit. It is about 3 miles west of West Dover, Vermont, on the eastern slopes of Mt. Pisgah, the highest mountain in the vicinity. Eight ski lifts provide the largest uphill carrying capacity in the Nation. Many trails, from novice to expert, are provided. Both the summit and the base have modern shelters; the base shelter offers a skating rink and a swimming pool.

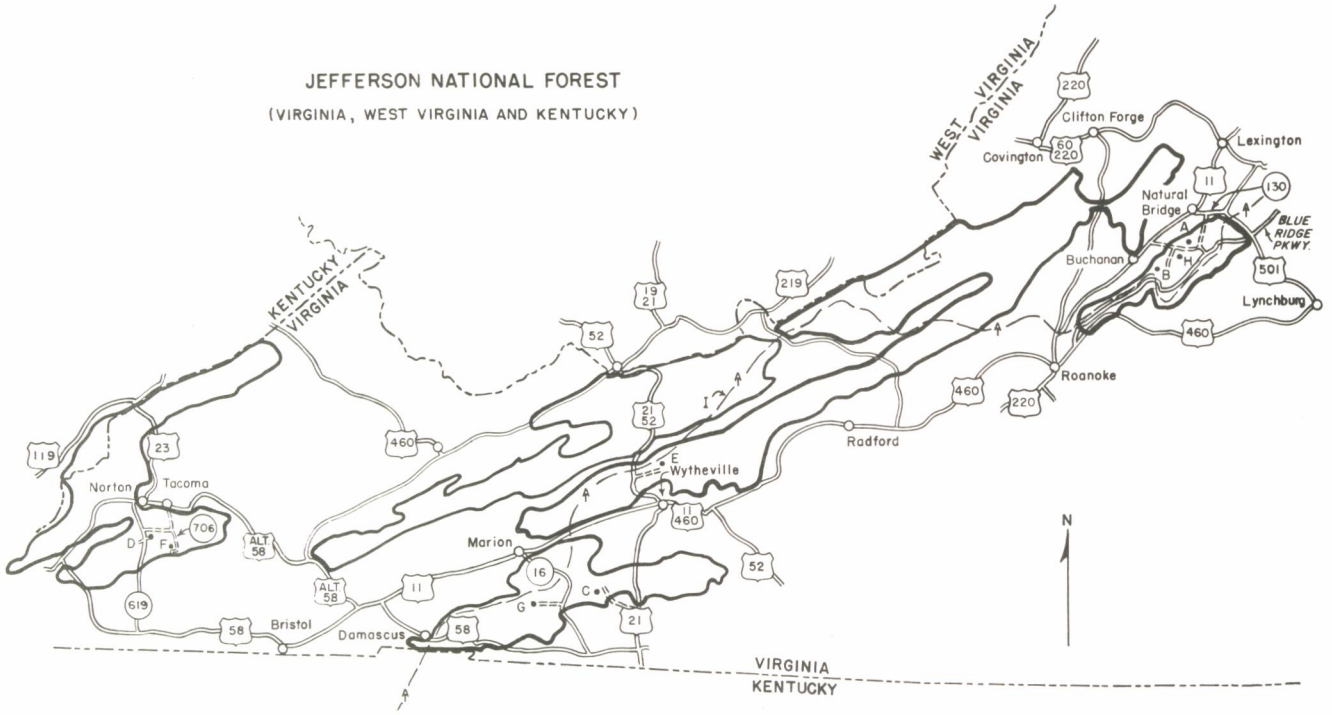
Big Bromley

This winter-sports area, a part of which is on National Forest land under special use permit, is located about 8 miles east of Manchester

Center, Vermont, on State Route 11. The area provides a variety of trails and is served by seven ski lifts. Five states can be seen from the summit of Bromley Mountain during all seasons, as the lifts are operated throughout the year.

The Long Trail

The Long Trail known as "A Footpath in the Wilderness" extends from Massachusetts to Canada for a distance of more than 260 miles. Eighty miles of this trail is in the Green Mountain National Forest. Located and constructed by the Green Mountain Club, it is easily accessible from numerous roads and side trails. Adirondack shelters have been constructed at roughly 6-mile intervals.



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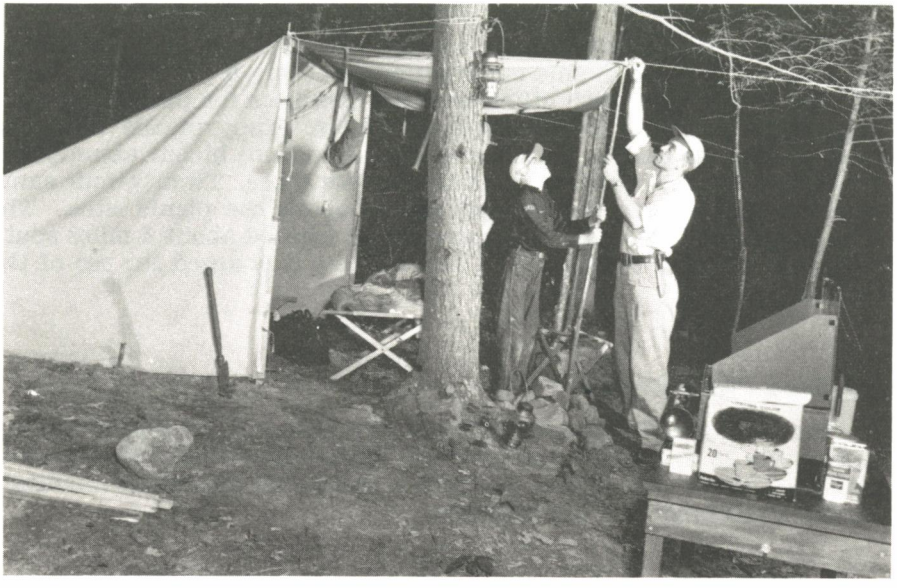
JEFFERSON NATIONAL FOREST

The Jefferson National Forest was established April 21, 1936. It contains 1,668,483 acres within the Forest boundaries, 543,914 acres of which are owned or in the process of acquisition. Headquarters is located at Roanoke, Virginia; William C. Curnutt, Forest Supervisor.

The Forest is situated in southwest Virginia—the Valley of Virginia area. It is flanked or traversed by U. S. Route 11, U. S. Route 460, U. S. Route 58A, U. S. Route 23, State Route 311, State Route 16, and portions of the Trail of the Lonesome Pine.



FATHER AND SON CAMPING ALONGSIDE MIDDLE CREEK

Cave Mountain Recreation Area

In this section of mountainous country, where impounded water is very rare, a 7-acre lake has been created. Swimming, picnicking, camping, sanitary facilities, drinking water, parking area, a sandy bathing beach, an administrative building, and bathhouse have been provided. About 40 excellent camping sites are available. The area is located about 7 miles south of Natural Bridge on a Forest Service road off State Route 130. The area is operated by a concessionaire, and a small charge is made for use of the facilities.

Middle Creek Picnic Ground

A small picnic area has been created along the banks of Middle Creek. It is provided with tables, benches, fireplaces, and sanitary facilities. The area is located 6 miles east of Buchanan on State Route 614.

Comers Rock Picnic Ground

Picnicking facilities are available on this mountain top located 17 miles south of Wytheville on a Forest Service road off U. S. Route 21. An observatory provides an outstanding view of the surrounding terrain.

High Knob Recreation Area

A 5-acre lake at 3,500 feet elevation with a sandy beach offers an opportunity to swim in this mountainous section. A parking space for 200 cars is provided, with other essential facilities for picnicking. The flora in this area is of outstanding beauty. Many of the flowering species, such as azalea, laurel, and rhododendron, bloom abundantly. These beautiful shrubs line much of the lake shore. Twenty-four camp sites are available in the wooded valleys above the picnic sites. The area is operated by a concessionaire and is located about 6 miles south of Norton on State Route 619. A nominal fee is charged for use of the facilities.

Big Bend Picnic Ground

Picnicking facilities are available 10 miles north of Wytheville, off U. S. Route 21 to the east and atop Big Walker Mountain. The spectacular view of the countryside provides a panorama of endless mountain ranges stretching into the distance.

Scott-Wise Lake Recreation Area (Corder Bottom or Bark Camp Lake)

A 65-acre bass-fishing lake has been created near High Knob off State Route 706, 6 miles south of Tacoma. Swimming facilities are not provided. There is a 14-site camping area, a 12-table picnic area, drinking water, and sanitary facilities.

Hurricane Picnic Ground

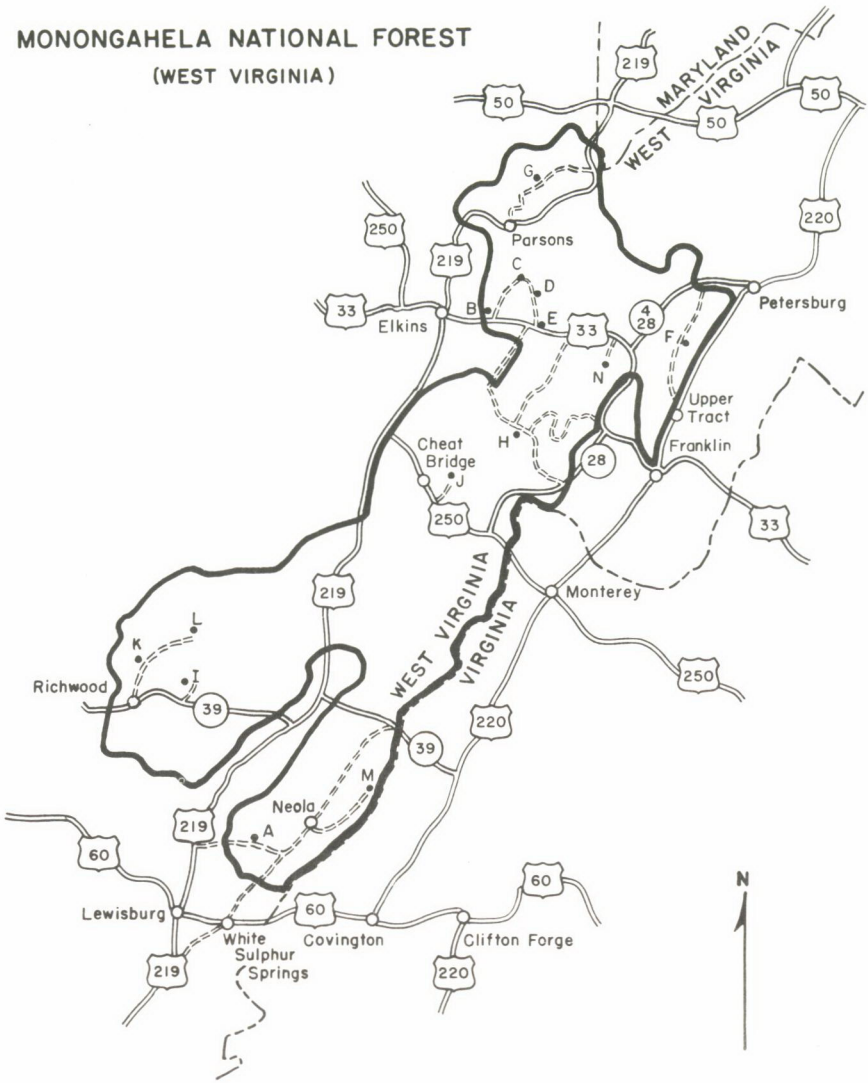
This is a small, but very pleasant picnic area developed around a clearing on Hurricane Branch, 2 miles west of State Route 16 and 15 miles south of Marion.

North Creek Campground

Fourteen camping sites have been created on an island in North Creek. Drinking water and sanitary facilities are available. The area is located about 8 miles northeast of Buchanan via U. S. Route 11, and State Route 614.

The Appalachian Trail

The famous Appalachian Trail goes through five of the six Ranger Districts on the Forest. Adirondack shelters are located at the following points: Glenwood District — Matts Creek, Marble Springs, Cornelius Creek, and Cove Mountain. New Castle District — Trout Run. Blacksburg District — Bailey Gap and Dismal Creek. Wythe District — High Rock, Turkey Gap, Monster Rock, and Walker Mountain. Holston District — Cherry Tree Camp and Sandy Flats.



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MONONGAHELA NATIONAL FOREST

The Monongahela National Forest was established April 28, 1920. It contains 1,641,981 acres within the Forest boundaries; 805,777 acres of which are owned or in the process of acquisition. Headquarters is located at Elkins, West Virginia; E. M. Olliver, Forest Supervisor.

The Forest is situated in east-central West Virginia and is flanked or traversed by U. S. Route 33, U. S. Route 50, U. S. Route 250, U. S. Route 60, U. S. Route 219, U. S. Route 220, State Route 4, State Route 28, and State Route 39.

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Blue Bend Recreation Area

This beautiful natural pool in Anthony Creek located 14 miles north of White Sulphur Springs is a major attraction. Facilities include swimming, an administrative building, picnic shelter, drinking water, bathhouses, outdoor fireplaces, tables, sanitary facilities, and camping sites.

Stuart Recreation Area

This area is located about 1 mile north of U. S. Route 33 and 6 miles east of Elkins. Bathing is available at nearby Shavers Fork. The area provides space for parking 100 cars, an administrative building, bathhouses, sanitary facilities, picnic shelter, and drinking water. Twenty-seven camping sites are available to the public. This area is located near the beginning of Stuart Memorial Drive, which is a mountain road through beautiful high-country scenery.

The traveler who follows Stuart Memorial Drive (see above) passes the following recreation areas:

Bickle Knob Picnic Ground

This area provides opportunity to enjoy picnicking on a mountain top with superb views of valleys and distant ranges. Picnic tables, outdoor fireplaces, and sanitary facilities are available. A nearby Forest Service fire lookout tower offers panoramic views of the surrounding terrain.

Bear Heaven Picnic Ground

Unique rock formations are located adjacent to this woodland picnicking area. Many of these rocks are larger than a house and are covered with ferns and other growth.
While these rocks, with their many crevasses and caves, would make an ideal habitat for bears, these animals no longer are here.

Alpena Gap Picnic Ground

This small picnic area at a high altitude provides complete sanitary facilities. It is located on U. S. Route 33, at the eastern terminus of the Stuart Memorial Drive. The area is well wooded and includes many species of botanical interest.
The Stuart Drive is approximately 11 miles long and along the drive the traveler has an opportunity to see many different forest conditions and view many of the activities of the Forest Service.

Smoke Hole Recreation Area

A broad natural pool in the South Branch of the Potomac River provides an opportunity to swim. The Forest Service maintains bathhouses, a picnic shelter, camping sites, drinking water, and sanitary facilities. The "smoke holes" are so named because of the haze that sometimes hangs over them. The area offers some of the most rugged scenery in the State. The narrow and winding road to them turns westward off U. S. Route 220 at Upper Tract, which is about 11 miles north of Franklin. This section of the Potomac offers fine bass fishing.

Horseshoe Recreation Area

Picnicking, camping, and swimming are available along Horseshoe Run, 2 miles from Lead Mine which is about 15 miles northeast of Parsons off State Route 7. There is parking space for 100 automobiles, and a large shelter is available.

Spruce Knob Lake

This is a 25-acre lake, in a spruce timber setting, high in the Allegheny Mountains near Spruce Knob. It is the highest point in West Virginia (4,860 feet). The lake was constructed with fishermen and hunters' "stamp" money by the U. S. Forest Service in cooperation

with the State Department of Natural Resources. There are many tent sites, two wells, sanitary facilities, and fireplaces available. It is open for fishing under State law; stocked with rainbow trout. Access is over several narrow roads from State Route 28 south of Judy Gap, and from U. S. Route 33, about 23 miles east of Elkins. Boats without motors are allowed.

Summit Lake

This 42-acre lake is 7 miles east of Richwood, and 2 miles north of State Route 39. It was built by the West Virginia Department of Natural Resources in cooperation with the U. S. Forest Service with "stamp" money, Dingell-Johnson funds, and contributions from Richwood citizens. It is open for fishing under State law; stocked with rainbow trout. Camp sites, wells, and sanitary facilities are provided. Boats without motors are allowed.

Gaudineer Knob Picnic Ground

On the high plateau in a solid spruce setting where the Cheat River originates, a picnicking area has been provided near the base of a fire tower. The area provides a magnificent view of the surrounding countryside. It is located about 1½ miles east of Cheat Bridge, and north of U. S. Route 250.

Woodbine Picnic Ground

This site of a former CCC Camp along the Cranberry River, 7 miles north of Richwood off State Route 39, has been transformed into a beautiful picnic area. Tables and fireplaces line the river bank and overlook a broad green meadow. There also are picnic sites deep in the dense rhododendron woodland, which is characteristic of this section.

Cranberry Campground

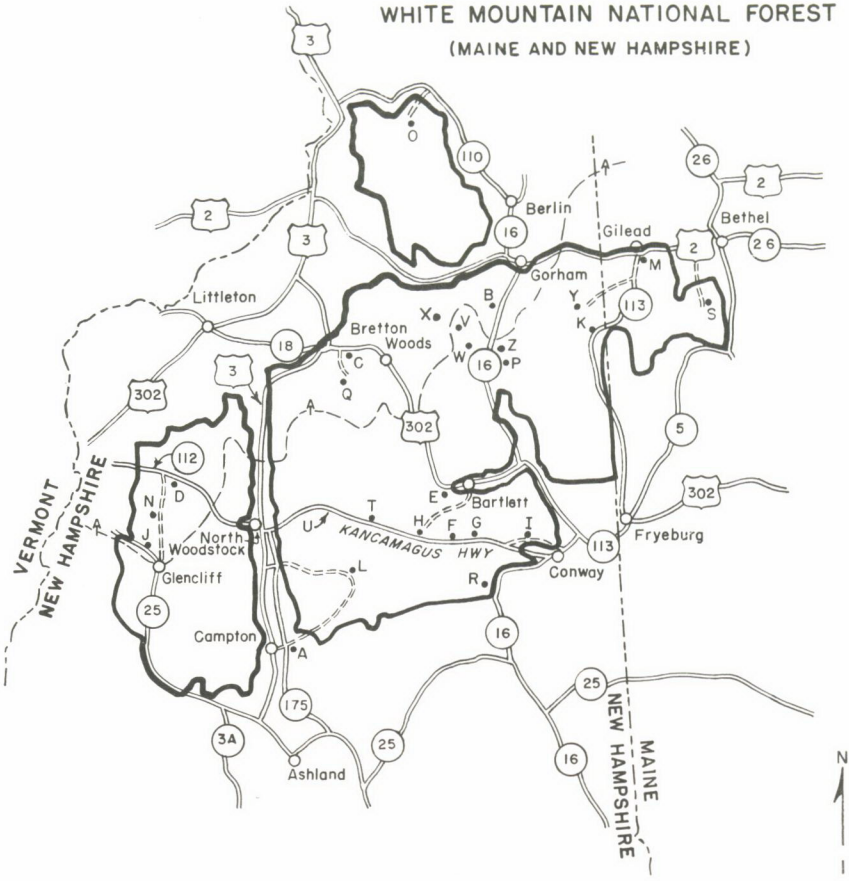
Fourteen miles from Richwood, along this same woodland road (see Woodbine, above), a campground of about 20 sites is available. It is located well within the forest at the end of the road. The Cranberry River flows close by and offers good fishing.

Lake Sherwood Recreation Area

This area is located 26 miles northeast of White Sulphur Springs and 11 miles from Neola. It features a 165-acre lake built by the West Virginia Department of Natural Resources and the U. S. Forest Service with "Fishing Stamp" money and other funds. Bass fishing, swimming, and wading are key features, supplemented by camping and picnicking facilities. Boats without motors are permitted, and a dock is available.

Seneca Campground

This small area, used mainly by fishermen, is situated alongside Seneca Creek. It is located on a good dirt road 5 miles west of Mouth-of-Seneca and 1 mile south of U. S. Route 33 via Whites Run Road. Sanitary facilities, camping sites, and drinking water are available.



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THE WHITE MOUNTAIN NATIONAL FOREST

The White Mountain National Forest was established May 16, 1918. It contains 884,020 acres within the forest boundaries, 723,421 acres of which are owned or in the process of acquisition. Headquarters is located at Laconia, New Hampshire; Gerald S. Wheeler, Forest Supervisor.

The Forest is situated in north-central New Hampshire and a part of western Maine. It is traversed by the following well-known highways: Franconia Notch Highway (U. S. Route 3), Crawford Notch Highway (U. S. Route 302), Pinkham Notch Highway (New Hampshire Route 16), Evans Notch Highway (Maine Route 113). More than 100 miles of Forest Service roads and 1,000 miles of foot trails and ski trails supplement state highway systems in bringing visitors to all parts of the White Mountain National Forest. Many miles of beautiful drives have been provided. A few such drives are: Bear Notch Road, Evans Notch Road, Tripoli Road, and the newly constructed Kancamagus Highway.

GREAT GULF WILD AREA

Campton Campground

This is a newly constructed campground in a natural setting of white pine and birch. The 58-unit area offers the camper a variety of sites and is the most modern facility on the White Mountain National Forest. A group camping area, playfield, and picnic area are located nearby. The area is located at Campton, on the Mad River road, about ½ mile off New Hampshire Route 175.

Dolly Copp Recreation Area

Visitors come to this popular camping area from all over the world, because it is the center of hiking trails over the Presidential Range. It is located on New Hampshire Route 16, approximately 6 miles south of Gorham, New Hampshire. The picnic area provides many attractive spots in the shade of the birches along the Peabody River. A large shelter has been constructed for group picnics and for use during inclement weather. Individual campsites have been provided. One may camp in the open meadows with a mountain panorama or in an opening in the spruces with framed vistas of favorite peaks. The area devoted to community use, which contains the playfield and administration building, has been carefully landscaped to preserve the characteristics of the forest.

Zealand Campground

This area is located off U. S. Route 302, about 3 miles west of Bretton Woods, the famous resort center at the north end of Crawford Notch. Camping facilities are available for 16 parties. This conveniently located camping area provides a restful spot for camping in a setting of green grass and tall elm trees. Space is provided along the highway for two or three trailers to park overnight.

Wildwood Campground

This area offers 21 campsites and a picnicking area with outstanding views of the Moosilauke Range for the recreationists who visit the western section of the forest. Drinking water, a shelter, outdoor fireplaces, and sanitary facilities have been provided. This area is located on New Hampshire Route 112, about 8 miles west of North Woodstock and 3 miles west of Kinsman Notch and the famous Lost River Reservation.

Sawyer Rock Picnic Ground

This picnic area has been provided in the birches at the south side of Crawford Notch. Drinking water, sanitary facilities, and a picnic shelter are available. It offers a vista of a typical White Mountain scene with the Saco River in the foreground. It is located on U. S. Route 302, about 2 miles west of Barlett, New Hampshire.

Rocky Gorge Scenic Area

This is an outstanding area of natural beauty and geological interest. Parking facilities and picnic sites have been provided. A substantial footbridge stretches across the gorge so that one may look down into the torrent of white rushing water. Just over the crest of the hill lies beautiful Falls Pond, a rare mountain lake reflecting the surrounding trees, mountains, and sky. The Gorge is beside the Kancamagus Highway, 11 miles west of Conway.

Lower Falls Scenic Area

This small area on the bank of Swift River provides limited picnick-

ing space in a shelter. There is a large, sand-bottomed, natural pool at the foot of tumbling cascades. The Falls are located 8 miles west of Conway on the Kancamagus Highway.

Passaconaway Campground

Near the head of this historic valley a recreational development has been constructed, providing picnicking and informal camping facilities. Drinking water, sanitary facilities, and a picnic shelter have been provided. This campground is located in a popular trout-fishing area. The area is 15 miles west of Conway, on the Kancamagus Highway, or 10 miles south of Bartlett, over the Bear Notch road.

Dugway Campground

Here is an opportunity for a dozen families to enjoy an outdoor holiday on a wooded bluff high above the waters of Swift River. This area is located on the Dugway Road, about 4 miles west of Conway.

Oliverian Campground

This small picnicking and camping area is located along New Hampshire Route 25, about 3 miles west of Glencliff, near the western boundary of the Forest. A picnic shelter, sanitary facilities, and drinking water are available. A few informal campsites in the shady, grassy meadow along Oliverian Brook make pleasant camping spots.

Cold River Camp and Picnic Ground

Drinking water, sanitary facilities, a picnic shelter, and camping sites have been provided for the use of recreationists. Here, somewhat off the beaten path, are mountain-climbing opportunities and outstanding mountain scenery. It is located at the south end of the Evans Notch road, Maine Route 113, 1 mile from North Chatham, New Hampshire, and 15 miles north of Fryeburg, Maine.

Waterville Campground

This new 27-unit campground offers excellent views of scenery and an extensive trail system to the surrounding mountains. All essential facilities have been provided in this woodland setting. For the fishermen, the nearby Mad River and other National Forest streams offer good fishing waters. It is located 8 miles northeast of Campton, beyond the Campton Campground.

Gilead Picnic Ground

The site of this area near the village of Gilead, Maine, was formerly an estate. One can picnic close to U. S. Route 2 in partial shade on the grassy meadow. The usual facilities are provided.

Long Pond

A dam was constructed in 1933, creating a 70-acre body of water which is one of the popular fishing ponds in New Hampshire. It is located on the north-south Forest Service Road, 7 miles north of Glencliff. Sanitary facilities are provided. This is primarily a fisher-

man's pond, hence no other facilities are provided. Each individual must bring his own boat or fish from the shore.

South Pond Recreation Area

South Pond, which is a natural lake, is the major attraction at this new area. It provides opportunities for swimming, boating, and fishing. Facilities include a sandy bathing beach with bathhouse and sanitary facilities, parking space for approximately 250 cars, and picnicking sites with fireplaces, tables, and drinking water. It is located off New Hampshire Route 110, about 14 miles north of Berlin, New Hampshire.

Glen Ellis Scenic Area

This is the site of one of the most beautiful waterfalls in New Hampshire and is located along New Hampshire Route 16, in Pinkham Notch. Parking spaces, drinking water, and sanitary facilities are available. An attractive trail offers an inviting and easy walk to view the Falls and enjoy the spray.

Sugarloaf Campground

Located 1 mile south of the Zealand Campground on the Zealand Road, this new campground offers 34 individual sites for tent camps, pure drinking water, and the usual sanitary facilities.

White Ledge Campground

Thirty-five tent sites are spaced along the margin of woodland facing a small open meadow. A shelter is available for picnickers in the section of the area set aside for that use. White Ledge is very popular with people who wish to camp or picnic in the Chocorua Section. It is located on New Hampshire Route 16, about 7 miles south of Conway, New Hampshire.

Crocker Pond Campground

Located on the shore of picturesque Crocker Pond, this 7-unit campground is sheltered in its natural setting by red and white pine. This campground is about 7 miles south of West Bethel, Maine, off the Forest Service Patte Mill Road.

C. L. Graham Wangan Ground

This newly constructed picnic area offers outstanding views into the remote headwaters of the Swift and Sawyer Rivers from the height-of-land on the famed Kancamagus Highway. It is located in the Kancamagus Pass, 22 miles west of Conway and 12 miles east of Lincoln, New Hampshire.

The Kancamagus Highway

The Kancamagus Highway, heralded as one of the most scenic roads in the East, was opened for traffic between the villages of Conway and Lincoln in 1959. From Conway this 34-mile Forest Highway follows the Swift River to Passaconaway Valley. From here it climbs high on the flank of Mt. Kancamagus, crosses the nearly 3,000 foot high pass, and winds down the Hancock Branch and East Branch of the

Pemigewasset River to Lincoln. The many marvelous views of towering mountain peaks, the clear cool mountain streams, and numerous points of interest, invite the traveler to this remote, unspoiled, and uninhabited wilderness section of the White Mountains.

The Great Gulf Wild Area

The Great Gulf Area, the first such area in Northeastern United States was, established by the Forest Service in 1959 to preserve its primeval environment. This 5,400-acre glacial valley on the eastern slopes of the Presidential Range is located between Mt. Washington and the Northern Peaks. It extends approximately 3 miles eastward from Mt. Washington as a narrow, steepsided gulf and then broadens gradually to more open terarin. The area is drained by the West Branch of the Peabody River and its numerous tributary streams. Many remarkable cascades are found along these streams, and two small bodies of water, Spaulding Lake and Star Lake, are located in the upper reaches. Although the area is fairly accessible to hikers over many trails, the rugged character of the topography creates a feeling of remoteness. Two "back country" shelters in the area, constructed and maintained by the Appalachian Mountain Club, are available for free public use on a first-come, first-served basis.

Tuckerman Ravine

High on the east slope of Mt. Washington this glacial cirque is the only true alpine ski area east of the Rockies. Skiing is usually enjoyed until mid-June. A shelter has been provided by the Forest Service in cooperation with the Appalachian Mountain Club. Here the visitor will find shelter, light lunches, and emergency first-aid facilities.

Three Adirondack-type shelters have been constructed in this area, offering an opportunity to spend a night or two with an open fire before you and only woodland night noises coming from the blackness behind it. In addition to shelters constructed and maintained by the Forest Service, there are many similar shelters provided on government land by outing clubs.

The Presidential Range

Perhaps the most impressive section of the White Mountain National Forest is the area above the timberline, along the ridge of the Presidential Range — the backbone of New England. In this true alpine zone, approximately 8 miles long and 2 miles wide, are found plants, shrubs, and mosses, typical of alpine and arctic regions. The experienced hiker has a choice of trails which converge on the windswept summit from several directions.

Wild River Campground

Located at the end of the Wild River Road, 9 miles southwest of Gilead, Maine. It is popular because of the seclusion of the area and its advantageous location for hunting and fishing.

YEAR-ROUND RECREATION AREAS

GREEN MOUNTAIN NATIONAL FOREST

Mt. Snow, West Dover, Vermont

Eight double-chair lifts and two rope tows with a total uphill carrying capacity of 11,000 skiers per hour. Two base lodges with restaurants, ski shops, warming lounges, and roof-top sundecks. Summit lodge with restaurant, warming lounge, and observation deck. Extensive trail system and open slopes for all class skiers. Heated outdoor swimming pool and indoor ice-skating rink. Parking area for 4,000 cars. More than 90 inns and motels nearby offer accomodations ranging from casual bunkhouses to the most elaborate quarters. Accessible via air, rail, auto, and bus transportation.

Sugarbush Valley Resort, Warren, Vermont

Offers a 9,300-ft. gondola lift and two double-chair lifts with a total uphill capacity of 2,000 skiers per hour, and a T-Bar with 1,000 skiers per hour capacity. Valley House contains lounges, cafeterias, shops, cocktail lounge, restaurant, and sundeck. Numerous downhill trails accomodate all classes of skiers from novice to expert. Ski school. Parking area for 500 cars. A wide variety of inns, motels, and lodges offer simple to luxurious accomodations in the immediate vicinity. Accessible via air, auto, and train transportation.

WHITE MOUNTAIN NATIONAL FOREST

Wildcat Mountain, Pinkham Notch, New Hampshire

Offers a 6,800-foot gondola lift, and two T-Bars with a total uphill capacity of 2,300 skiers per hour. A variety of trails and open slopes accomodate all classes of skiers. Base shelters includes warming facilities, restaurant, and ski shop. Summit building has snack bar and sundeck. Parking area for 700 cars. Nearby towns of Gorham, Jackson, Bartlett, and North Conway offer accomodations for entire families and fit every budget. Accessible via auto transportation.

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